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FROM LORNA. . .

It is an honor to be the president of one of the finest numismatic organizations in the country. Being an election year, I feel that it is time to review the goals we will try to meet in the next two years.

Our primary goal is to become more financially secure. We have taken a major step in that direction with the imminent sale of the museum material. Another important factor in our financial recovery is the great cooperation from the Officers, Board Members and Committee Chairmen in cutting down on expenses. They are to be commended for their efforts. However, if we are to continue in an upward trend, this must be an on-going endeavor.

Membership in the NASC has dropped in the past year! We need to find out why dues are not being paid. In the next dues drive we will contact those *lost souls* and hopefully bring them back into the organization. Each one of us should recruit as many new members as possible. It is from them that we get new ideas and leaders for the future. I don't want to see NASC get into a rut of "We've done it that way for thirty years and we won't change now" kind of thinking. Change is inevitable and necessary when done in the best interest of NASC. We must remain open to new ideas, and new people are where they can originate.

In the July *NUMISMATIST,* ANA President Q. David Bowers wrote about "Convention Fever". In it he correctly states that NASC used to be one of the "biggie" shows and has not been in recent years. He has confidence that we will make the necessary plans to regain that status. So, what are we going to do about it? Our dealers are the cream of the crop from across the country, but we have a reputation for being a dealer's show! That can be changed by increasing attendance at the show. We need more people, not only coming through the door but providing business for our dealers. There are other convention activities which bring in the people. One of the most important is the auction. Ours is one of the few shows which has a premier auction house affiliated with it. Bowers & Merena Galleries of New Hampshire are very supportive of NASC and contribute to our publicity with their ads. We are grateful for their help and look forward to a long and pleasant association with them.

The educational programs held during the show are excellent, including one for the young numismatist as well as the specialty groups. The exhibits are top-notch, the post office is a draw, and the breakfast and banquet are fun-filled. A highlight in recent years has been the Special Forum held on Saturday. The next one will feature the Honorable Donna Pope. All of these activities have a certain drawing ability, but the fact remains clear: we need customers for our dealers.

The original concept of the NASC Workshops was to offer assistance to the member clubs on such things as speakers, bulletins and finances. A few years ago we broke new ground by offering a coin grading seminar followed by one on coin authentication. Most recently, we added a second workshop during the year; it focused on investments. All of these have proven very popular and have brought in new members. Chairmen Tom Fitzgerald and Harold Katzman will continue toward the goal of providing more of the same.

Last, but certainly not least, is our publication, *THE NASC QUARTERLY.* It has flourished over the years under the editorships of Austin Ryer, Jr. and Gary Beedon. The contributing authors are experts, and we can pride ourselves on producing a first-rate magazine, OFFERING INFORMATION ON THIS MULTI-FACETED HOBBY. I know that Gary is constantly setting new goals for the *QUARTERLY* and will continue to meet them.

This brief review of our goals is offered with the hope that it will stimulate your thinking, and you will communicate with me. We are open to suggestions and ideas on how to accomplish these objectives. I look forward to hearing from you.

Lorna R. Lebold
NASC President

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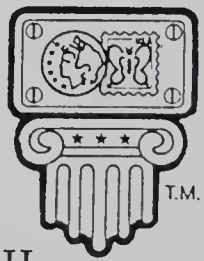

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THE LAVERE REDFIELD STORY

Jeff Oxman

The mere mention of the name, Lavere Redfield, stirs the imagination of any true silver dollar collector. Why? Because this eccentric man, without the assistance of coin dealers, auction houses or fellow numismatics, amassed the largest collection of BU silver dollars ever assembled – over one-half million in all. Even more amazing was the fact that Redfield was not a collector. He just didn't trust paper money.

You say you would like to follow in his footsteps? Sorry, but it's a little late. For Redfield simply went to his local bank and purchased mint-sealed bags of silver dollars over a period of some forty years, all presumably at face value. Try that today!

After carting them to his farm, he would drop the bags of silver dollars down a chute into his basement. There they sat undisturbed until 1974. Thousands of brilliant uncirculated Morgan and Peace dollars were piled one on top of another. I said he was eccentric!

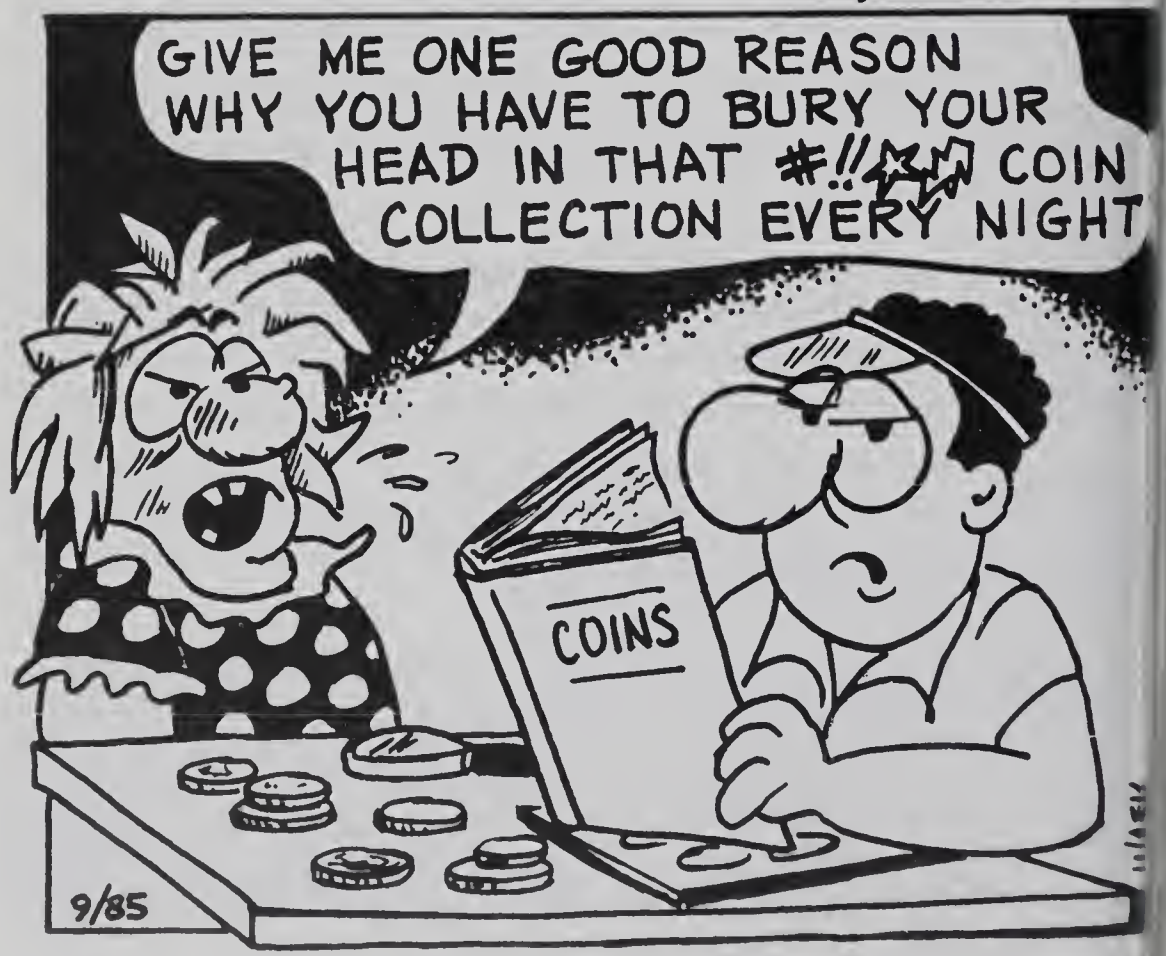
To better understand Redfield, it helps to know a little about his background. First of all, he was a man who made his fortune in California during the 1930's. He then moved to Nevada, where he expanded his business dealings to include real estate. Meanwhile, Redfield apparently enjoyed operating a farm. One story has it that he even sold produce from the back of his pickup truck! It's altogether conceivable that he would appear as the unknowing farmer, replete in western overalls, to disarm his business competitors. I didn't say he was stupid!

In any case Redfield's unbelievable hoard of silver dollars included hundreds of bags (each containing 1,000 coins) of scarce S-mint coins from the 1880's and 1890's. In fact, upon his death, Redfield's holdings had a profound effect upon the values of numerous silver dollar dates; and even after his holdings were dispersed, several of the dates never recovered in price, due to over-supply.

So the next time you are at a coin show and a dealer says that a particular date is a Redfield date, let your mind travel back to the basement of a Nevada farmhouse where Lavere Redfield stashed thousands of valuable silver dollars simply because he didn't have faith in paper money. The irony is that Redfield might well have been justified in his opinion of the monetary system. Certainly, due to the heavily depreciated worth of the U.S. dollar today, each of his silver dollars is worth many multiples of its original face value.

His legacy to us is that many beautiful uncirculated silver dollars that are so proudly treasured today by collectors, originally came from the private holdings of the ultimate non-collector, Lavere Redfield.

NU-MIS-TAKES by FRANK WASI



CHAOS IN THE EMPIRE

The Year Of Four Emperors

DR. THOMAS FITZGERALD

It had begun with a suicide! The Emperor Nero, a terror to the noble families of Rome, seemed to have gone mad! He had poisoned Brittanicus, the teenage son of Emperor Claudius, his predecessor. Nero also poisoned his own mother and his famous tutor, the philosopher Seneca among others. All students are aware of the great fire at Rome said to have been started by him. Nero's brutal persecution of the Christians has been described by many writers. He was finally forced to commit suicide in A.D. 71 at the age of 31.

Roman Coinage

Rome had changed. During the period we now call *The Republic,* Rome was a City-State, not unlike the famed provinces of ancient Greece. But now Rome had become a swollen City-State, and under the leadership of Augustus, the new age of Empire began. Known as the first Roman Emperor, Augustus was the great nephew of Julius Caesar and joined Mark Antony and Lepidus in forming the Second Triumvirate. He was the ruler of the Roman world from 29 B.C. until his death in A.D. 14.

Coin of Augustus

The period of Empire, begun with the reign of Augustus, witnessed the numerous City-States and Kingdoms no longer independent, but were now subjects or clients beneath the vast wing of Roman influence. Industry, trade, commerce and the economic unification of the Mediterranean region demanded a new monetary system. Coinage was required that would be recognized and honored throughout the Roman world (Empire) as well as those lands where trade was conducted. Coins had to emulate the money familiar to those countries; specie that was not cumbersome and could be transported across the sea and throughout the lands.

Inheriting the splendid coinage of the Greeks, by the second century B.C., the Romans issued coins peculiarly their own. These were the denarius, the sestertus and the quinarius. By the time of the Empire, although the names remained the same, there was little resemblance between the early coins and the later ones. Inflation and mismanagement had taken its toll as the denominations were constantly reduced in weight.

Sestertius – Claudius

Denarius of Augustus

Lacking newspapers, radio or television, the Roman Government utilized numerous designs on their coins to keep citizens in touch with the dentral developments. Themes included religious, political, historical or architectural subjects. In fact, multiple designs for the same denomination appeared within the same year. The denominations included:

DENARIUS (Silver) Dime size
SESTERTIUS (Bronze) Dollar to ½ dollar size
DUPONDIUS (Brass) Quarter size
AS (Copper) Quarter size
SEMIS (Billon) Nickel size
QUADRANS (Copper) 3¢ size
AUREUS (Gold)

Dupondius – Nero

As – Antoninus Pius

Semis – Trajan

Quadrans – Augustus

Aureus – Traianus

Galba – A.D. 68-69

Many years of Galba's life were spent as a military commander in Africa, Germany and Spain where he earned fame for his energy and strict discipline. Upon the death of Nero, the praetorian guard proclaimed him emperor whereupon he took the name Caesar. Rival pretenders rose and fell.

There was little to attract the people of Rome as their new prince, 63 years of age, entered Rome upon a litter with hands and feet crippled by the gout. He was not popular with the citizens and his harsh discipline was resented by his soldiers. After seven months as emperor, on January 15, A.D. 69, Galba was sacrificing upon the Palatine. In a strange turn of events, Otho was acclaimed as Emperor by the praetorians and within a few hours Galba was slain in the Forum. The seeds of civil war, planted during the terror of Nero, now bore fruit.

The Coinage of Galba

The die cutters at the imperial mint were pressed into service. It had been customary to take great care with portraiture; features could be embellished and emperors made to appear more attractive. But hardly had one set of dies been prepared than changes created the need for new coins.

The coins of Galba expressed frank realism. We note the wrinkled neck and hallow cheeks with the hook nose, substantial jaw and general air of harshness one may expect of a 63-year old emperor who had been a military commander in the far outposts all his life.

On being named Emperor,

Galba struck gold and silver coins as well as copper asses at the new mint of Terraco (Spain), probably a few at Vienna and later Narbo (France). His aurei and denarii of the Roman mint are distinguished by bold lettering and a certain finesse of style. A few coins of Galba were struck in Africa, probably at Carthage in June, A.D. 68.

The aurei and denarii assigned to the Gallic mint of Lugdunum (Lyon, France) appear to be in a class of their own with distinct reverse types. It is probable these coins were issued posthumously in A.D. 70-71 on orders of Vespasian.

Sestertius – Rev. Inscr. refers to goo deeds of citizens.

Denarius – Tarraco Mint
Rev – Empress

As – Rev – "Liberty" with liberty cap and scepter.

Otho – A.D. 69

Marcus Salvius Otho rose t power through his support an friendship of Nero. He was, perhap the chief confident of the Emperc It is said he encouraged Nero worst excesses and was privy eve to the murder of Nero's mother. T counteract the scandalous gossip the city, Otho was appointed t official duties in Lusitania where f ten years he appeared to live markedly improved life. Followir the death of Nero, Otho tried ve hard to win the favor of Gal hoping he would replace the c man as Emperor. When this faile he plotted against Galba by seeki

the votes of honor from the Senate and gained the title with the help of soldiers and their hatred of Galba. He was but a puppet – he refused the troops nothing. They chose their own commanders, he listened to their grievances and gave all they asked for.

Civil war broke out in the north as the armies of the Rhine, even before Alba's death, had hailed their general, Vitellius, as Emperor. The two armies met on the plains of Bedriacium where the soldiers loyal to Otho broke and fled. Otho remained at Brixellium where he pondered his fate for a day. At dawn, he took up his dagger and died by his own hand at the age of 37. He had been an Emperor for only three months.

The Coinage of Otho

Otho's coins depict the young Emperor with the plump double chin of the apicure and his carefully curled hair. The gold and silver coins of his three-month reign were all struck at the mint in Rome. There were no copper coins probably because the Senate was uncertain of the outcome of the civil war and thus delayed the issuance of the money. Otho was never friends with the Senate, but depended, like Nero, on the support of the army and the populace. His designs offer *Victory* and the Roman deities, Jupiter and Vesta. Otho does not offer liberty, but freedom from danger and anxiety and general peace.

Denarius – Rev – Figure of "Security" with crown and scepter. Insc. – Security of the Roman people.

Vitellius – A.D. 69

Aulus Vitellius was Emperor for only a very short time but it was long enough to mark perhaps the lowest depth to which elective monarchy has ever fallen. Vitellius appeared to be the greatest glutton of his times. In camp he was affable to all alike and was always ready to relax the rules of discipline. He seemed to be too weak and indolent to rule his own armies. Pillage and rioting took place throughout Italy. Generals who led his troops governed in his name while Vitellius reserved his efforts for the pleasures of the table.

Within eight months, the armies of the East took the oath of allegiance to Vespasian. The good *life* of Rome had taken their toll on the German legions of Vitellius and their morale had suffered even more. For a second time, the crash of war came to the plains of Bedriacium and this time the German legions were routed. The emperor thought of abdicating his title, but his German legions would not permit this. In the confusion of the strife, the famous Temple of Jupiter, in which were the treasures and memorials of the ancient history of Rome, caught fire and all was destroyed.

The army of Vespasian entered Rome to scenes of fearful carnage. Vitellius was found hiding between a mattress in the porter's lodge. He was dragged out with insults, paraded in mockery through the streets and buffeted to death in the place where the bodies of the worst

criminals were flung to feed the birds of prey. He was 54 years old.

The Coinage of Vitellius

The portraiture on the coins of Vitellius are not flattering – some even verge on caricature. The drill-master, popinjay and glutton form a strangely contrasting trio. As he rose to challenge Otho, some denarii of a predominantly military character was issued with the German legions. His Roman mint coins commenced in gold and silver shortly after the death of Otho. His copper coinage began only after the arrival of Vitellius in Rome and continued until his death in December. Gold and silver coins were struck at the mints in Tarraco (Spain) and Lugdunum (France). He also issued a series of asses from Tarraco and some rare dupondii and asses from Lugdunum.

Denarius – Vitellius

Of special interest are some coins from the mint in Tarraco glorifying the Emperor's father, Lucius, the successful general of Tiberius and later statesman under Claudius. Spain, after wavering for a moment, had declared for Vitellius.

Vespasian – A.D. 69-79

Titus Flavius Sabinus Vespasianus belonged to the Flavian family as would the next three emperors. A most successful soldier, his legions in the East declared for him after the death of Galba while others supported Otho or Vitellius. Yet Vespasian remained cautious and stayed in Egypt as civil war flared in Germany and Gaul.

It was left to Vespasian to heal the gaping wounds of the civil war. After defeating the forces of Vitellius, Vespasian began the work of restoring order to the provinces and calm to the capital. The last eventful year included scenes of fire, carnage and the absolute chaos of the rise and fall of three Emperors.

The temple of Jupiter was restored with copies of documents restored as in a national museum. Note: The temple at Jerusalem was destroyed during the reign of Vespasian in A.D. 71. In stark contrast with his predecessor, Vespasian was not a man of high ambition or heroic measures. He was a soldier simple in his tastes, not impressed with titles and had no expensive pleasures. He instituted strict economy measures, raised taxes and tolls and governed with efficiency for the next ten years. He died at the age of 69 with peace and order everywhere secured.

The Coinage of Vespasian

The portraits of Vespasian show a man who is homely yet his features are pleasing with a certain dignity especially by contrast with his pr

Aureus of Vespasian – Rev – Figure of Peace with olive branch.

Denarius – Vespasian – Rev – Titles with figure of "Peace".

Sestertius – Vespasian – Rev – Figure of "Peace".

decessors. The declaration of Vespasian as Emperor in the East brought into operation a number of new mints. Antioch struck aurei and denarii from the start until A.D. 72. Byzantium struck denarii in A.D. 69-70 and ephesus, aurei and denarii in A.D. 70 and 73. A small issue of denarii probably came from the armies of Illyricum and may have come from Poetovio. Other sporadic issues in the East occur, perhaps from Judaea and Tyre. Gold and silver coins were struck at Lugdunum until A.D. 73 and asses until the end of his reign. Tarraco struck gold and silver coins and rare sestertii and asses until about the end of A.D. 71.

The Senatorial mint at Rome probably suffered damage in the great fire that destroyed the temple. By A.D. 71 the mint was again in full working order. One by one, Vespasian closed the local mints and the two mints of Rome, imperial and Senatorial, combined to issue all the coins for the west and much of the needs of the east as well. The civil war had convinced Vespasian that any form of local independence including the minting of coins was not to be condoned.

ONE OF THE 1931 S CENTS HAS BEEN ALTERED FROM ANOTHER CENT. WHICH ONE IS GENUINE? HINT: LOOK AT THE "31" IN EACH DATE. GOOD

Miscellany

Leon Hendrickson Says:

Perspective Makes The Difference In Grading Rare Coins

Without a doubt, one of the hottest and most controversial topics in the numismatic trade today is the issue of grading. At the heart of the issue is the simple fact that rare coin grading remains an imprecise and subjective art. Despite efforts to refine standards and criteria used in grading coins, it still boils down to a basic element of human nature – two people will often see the same thing differently.

In the increasingly common situation where a coin has been graded differently by two different dealers, the difference can often be accounted for by looking at the knowledge, experience and, most important, the *perspective* of the dealers.

For example, let's say you present a coin for grading by two different dealers. Assume that Dealer #1 has been in the numismatic trade for a few years and has built his business after making the crossover from bullion trading following the boom of 1980. Dealer #2, on the other hand, started out several decades ago as an amateur collector. He gradually expanded both his collection and his numismatic knowledge to the point that he began dealing in rare coins and ultimately built a dealership founded on his love of the hobby.

Each dealer has a different background and therefore a different perspective. Dealer #1 understandably looks at the coin you present from his perspective as an investor. He is likely to weigh his grading opinion more heavily on market factors than fine numismatic distinctions. Dealer #2, on the other hand, looks at the coin from his perspective as a long-practiced collector with educated appreciation for the fine details which determine rarity and quality.

So there you are. Dealer #1 has rated your coin a full grade higher than Dealer #2. As a collector, you're human too. And since you naturally want the best possible grade for your collection, you give in to your emotions and accept the grade given by Dealer #1.

But wait a minute! What happens when you try to sell the coin later? Confusion, disappointment and frustration can set in when you find the coin yields 50% less than you valued it. You've allowed yourself to become a victim of overgrading.

Of course we all want the best items we can get. But because of the

wide variance in the level of knowledge and experience of collectors and dealers, what we really *need* are accurately graded coins at fair prices. The anger, argument and discouragement that results from overgrading are serious threats to the fun of collecting.

If you're serious about your collection and want to avoid the disappointment caused by overgrading, seek out dealers who are known for their extensive knowledge and reputation for fair dealing. Their perspective is more closely matched with your best interests.

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An Introduction to Coin World's Beth Deisher

Mrs. Deisher joined *COIN WORLD* as news editor in March of 1981. In June of 1984 she was named executive editor.

A native of North Carolina, Mrs. Deisher is a graduate of the University of North Carolina at Greensboro.

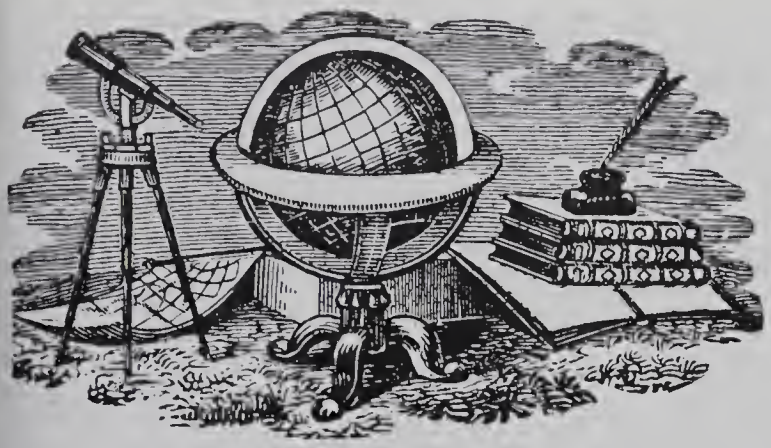
She began her career as a professional journalist as a reporter for the Norfolk, *LEDGER-STAR.* She was a copy editor with the publication when she was tapped by the Virginia Education Association to edit its tabloid newspaper, the *VEA NEWS,* and served as feature editor of its more scholarly magazine, *THE VIRGINIA JOURNAL OF EDUCATION.*

A member of the American Numismatic Association, the American Numismatic Society, and the Numismatic Literary Guild, Mrs. Deisher wa cited by NLG in 1984 for best spot new series.

She served as editor of the four edition of *COIN WORLD ALMANA* published in November 1984. Th *COIN WORLD ALMANAC* is a com prehensive, 734-page numismat storehouse of basic coin information f beginner or veteran collector.

Mrs. Deisher has won more than state and national writing and layou design awards in competitions spo sored by state and national journalist organizations. She holds membershi in the Society of Profession Journalists/Sigma Delta Chi, t National Federation of Press Wome Ohio Press Women, and the Oh Newspaper Women's Association.

Although a relative newcomer the world of numismatics, she has ma interests which are "first cousins," su as history and archaeology.



BookRate

by
Austin Ryer, Jr., NLG

There are some books upon the shelves of everyone's library which are used over and over while others are glanced at one time and placed upon the shelves and never used again. My own personal library has about 2000 books mostly on US coinage and currency. There are a few books that are well worn, but most of the books have been read and placed upon the shelves and never used again. Some of the books have not been read, but just glanced at and will probably never be read. In this article I would like to review three books which may shed some light on this seemingly strange habit of not using books.

Standard Catalogue of United States Coins by Wayte Raymond.

This book was considered the standard guide to US coins for many years. There was no other. It was published first in 1934 and was issued just about every year until 1957. The book is quite similar to the well known Red Book, but seems to have many more pictures especially in the sections on early material. This book even covers patterns, and some editions cover tokens. There is a lot of very good information contained in this book, but it is no longer printed. There is, I believe, one very good reason for the book being printed no longer – only two prices are given for each coin. That was fine in the thirties when a coin was either circulated or uncirculated. Today's collector requires much more price information in the current market place.

A Guide Book of United States Coins by R.S. Yeoman.

This has been published since 1946. This is probably the most popular of all coin books, and I do not think that I will have to describe the contents to any one. Actually, there is less information in this book than the one published by Raymond, but it does have more pricing information. When this book was first published, prices did not change the way they do now. Most dealers were using it to price their stock. Now the book is only used for a reference book and never as a price guide. The price information is obsolete before the book is ever printed. I think that the main reason for buying the book every year is to complete a set.

Scott Catalogue & Encyclopedia 1976 US Coins by Don Taxay.

This book is by far the best general work on US coins. There is pricing information, but like all the others it is outdated. There is a lot of type and variety information which one would

not expect to find in a general work, and some of it is contained no other place. You would have to buy a specialty book to cover each denomination of coin to get more information than this book contains. I have already worn out one copy, and I am working on the second one. In 1976 Taxay mentions such things as full heads on Standing Lib. 25¢, weakness of strike on reverse of Mercury dimes, etc. There is an entire section on essays and patterns, branch mint proofs, etc.

I WILL NOT RATE THESE BOOKS, BUT I THINK IT IS EASY TO TELL WHICH IS THE MOST USED IN MY WORK.

Why is one more used than the others? Because it provides the information needed more often than other similar works. Why is the Red Book more popular than Taxay's work? I really think that there are many reasons. The Red Book has been around for a long time, and for years it was the standard reference book. People became friends with it and are used to working with it. It has gotten a lot of very favorable publicity, and it deserves all of it. There is one other facet. Early editions have increased in value for the book collector. We all hope that the later editions will also increase, and so we go on buying every edition as it is issued. Many copies are purchased and then never opened or opened just enough to see what new has been added. One could also add that the Red Book is small and easily carried to the coin shows, whereas the Taxay work is larger and heavier.

Each of these books has or had a time and a place. Each serves a purpose to make the hobby more understandable, and to get people interested. More power to all three!

A LETTER

Dear Austin:

You ask if anyone reads your "Book Rate" article in the N.A.S.C. Quarterly.

I am afraid that you are a victim of the silent majority. It is difficult to accept silence as approval, but I am sure that if your articles were found to offend or irritate any of us, you would get a deluge of letters and comments.

I look forward to every issue of the Quarterly. I sort out which articles or editorials I want to read first, and your "Book Rate" is one of the first that I read. I have not read all of the books that you review so your article is doubly important.

I feel that you are doing an excellent and worthwhile job. I thought that I had mentioned this to you, but apparently a written letter gets through better.

I am sure that my feelings are shared by others, and I am sure that some will disagree.

I for one hope that you can and will continue to write "Book Rate" for a long time to come.

Sincerely,

(s) T. M. Barosko

ALAMO

THIRTEEN FATEFUL DAYS IN 1836

Walter A. Ostromecki, Jr. NLG

Unsheathing his sword at the crack of dawn on a chilly March morning, breaking the quietness of a lull in the virtually incessant bombardment on the Alamo, Colonel William Baret Travis drew a line on the ground before his battle weary men. In a voice trembling with emotion, he spoke to his force of 188 men about their hopeless situation, "We will receive no reinforcements in our struggle against Mexicano General Antonio Lopez de Santa Anna and his 5,000 troops. Those prepared to give their lives in freedom's cause, come over to me!" Without hesitation, every man except one crossed the line. Even Colonel James Bowie, confined to a cot by typhoid pneumonia asked to be carried over. The 187 patriots sealed their fate. They were now committed to death, as they valued freedom more than life itself.

For ten days now, since February 23 when Colonel Travis answered Santa Anna's surrender ultimatum with a cannon shot, the defenders had withstood the onslaught of an army numbering 5,000 without a single loss! Daily, Mexican casualties were replaced with freshly arriving troops, but relief for the besieged inside the Alamo was hopeless. Lieutenant James Bonham had left during an earlier siege in a futile attempt to secure help. He returned through enemy fire on the eve of March 5th to report to Travis and aid in the defense, knowing their situation was hopeless.

Many of the Alamo's defenders were freedom-loving volunteers who had no personal stake in Texas. Only seven were native Texans while 39 carried accents from England, Scotland, Ireland, Germany and Denmark. Like Davey Crockett and his *Tennessee Boys*, they owed nothing to Texas. Theirs was a fight against tyranny, wherever it might be.

On the other hand, the 32 men and boys from Gonzales, who made the way through Mexican lines in answer to Travis' plea for reinforcements, we colonists with a personal interest. Theirs was a fight for freedom against San Anna's intolerable decrees.

Now with ammunition and supplies nearly exhausted, awaiting th inevitable, they rallied to the Texas cause, determined to make a Mexica victory more costly than a defeat.

It came suddenly in the chilly, pre-dawn hours of March 6th. With bugl sounding the dreaded *Deguello* (no quarter to the defenders), columns Mexican soldiers attacked from all four directions. They were repelled twi by withering musket fire and cannon shot. On their third attack, the Mexic troops concentrated their efforts on the battered north wall. Colonel Trav with a single shot to his forehead, fell across his cannon. Waves of Mexica swarmed through the breach and into the plaza. At a frightful cost, they slow fought their way to the *long barrack* and blasted its massive door open with cannon shot. Its defenders, asking no quarter and receiving none, were kill with musket fire and bayonets.

Crockett, using his rifle as a club, fell as the attackers, now joined reinforcements, stormed the south wall and headed for the chapel. T defenders inside soon suffered the same fate as their comrades.

Bowie, his pistols emptied, his famous knife bloodied, and his bo riddled with bullets, died on his cot. The battle was over and the Alamo was l but not Texas' fight for Independence.

Santa Anna said, "It was but a small affair," and ordered the bodies of t heroes burned. Colonel Juan Almonte, noting the great number of casualt (nearly 1,600 Mexicans vs. 187 Freedom Fighters) declared, "Another su victory and we are ruined."

Kindled by the funeral pyres of the Alamo, the Texans' smoldering des for freedom roared into flames three weeks later at Goliad, when Santa An coldly ordered the massacre of more than 300 prisoners taken at the battle Coleto Creek.

On April 21st, 46 days after the Alamo fell, approximately 800 ange Texan and American volunteers led by General Sam Houston launche furious attack on the Mexican Army of 1,300 at San Jacinto. Shouti *Remember the Alamo! Remember Goliad,* they completely routed Mexican Army in a matter of minutes, killing 630 and capturing Santa An while only losing 8.

The new Republic of Texas was born. Texas Independence lasted nearly ten years, until it was officially annexed to the United States December 29, 1845. With the change in government and the lowering of Texas flag on February 19, 1846, the final act in the great drama performed; the Republic of Texas was no more!

HISTORY OF THE ALAMO

San Antonio has a special voice – a voice of different accents languages that pervades the city's essence. That voice is vividly remembe in the solemn silence of the Alamo.

Since its beginning as a collection of crude huts on the San Pedro Creek in 1718, San Antonio's first mission, San Antonio de Valero seemed destined for oblivion rather than immortality. Established originally as a Spanish outpost by Father Antonio Olivares to bring religion and civilization to the Indians, the mission saw itself virtually destroyed by the elements of nature. A second mission was subsequently established on the east bank of the San Antonio River, but being almost as primitive as the first, it was destroyed by a hurricane in 1724. It was soon resettled and by 1727 construction had begun on an impressive two-story stone structure which would contain living quarters for the priests, offices, a dining hall, and kitchens. This building became famous as the *Long Barrack* during the Texas Revolution.

By 1793 a series of epidemics had virtually depopulated most of the Texas missions, and their functions were assumed by civil authorities, thus bringing an end to the Mission Era.

Spanish Cavalry moved into the abandoned Mission San Antonio de Valero and occupied it until Mexican troops took over in 1821. The Spanish Cavalry came from Alamo de Parres in Mexico, and the famous mission became known as Pueblo del Alamo. Its chapel later became known as the *Alamo*.

Proposed Amendments to the Constitution

PRESENT

SECTION 3

That the control of said Association shall be vested in a Board of Governors; one to be elected or appointed by each coin club that holds membership in this Association; six additional members to be elected at the annual business meeting of this Association.

PRESENT

SECTION 6

Section does not exist.

PROPOSED

SECTION 3

That the control of said Association shall be vested in a Board of Governors; one to be elected or appointed by each coin club that holds membership in this Association; officers and six additional members to be elected.

PROPOSED

SECTION 6

This constitution may be amended by a two-thirds vote of the Board of Governors. The proposed amendment(s) shall be presented at a Board of Governors meeting of this Association and voted at the next Board of Governors meeting following publication in the *Quarterly*. All amendments shall become effective immediately upon passing.

Junior Collector Profile

Greg Frazier and Wade Sherman

This issue we are featuring the profiles of two of our junior members who also belong to the Whittier Coin Club.

Greg Frazier is 14 years old and is a freshman at Don Bosco Technical Institute. Wade Sherman, 13, attends the Fairmont Private School where he is in the eighth grade. They both reside in La Habra and are interested in electronics as well as other hobbies including sports and writing.

Greg is a member of Boy Scout troop #337 and has earned his coin collecting merit badge in addition to many others. He has served on his school newspaper and wrote an article for the Whittier club's "Proof Sheet" on "Why I Collect Coins." Greg enjoys soccer, swimming and skiing.

Wade's other interests include computers and cars, and his favorite sport is basketball. He has had an article published in *The N.A.S.C. Quarterly.*

They both became interested in coins at a young age. Greg was around nine when his grandmother showed him some of the dollars and halfs she had tucked away. Later h older brother sent him coins fro various countries during his trave with the army. Wade became i volved when a friend gave him tw proof sets as a gift. He was about te at the time. Each joined the Whitti Coin Club during 1983. At th Whittier club the boys help a runners during auctions, doing s up and clean up for meetings, an by bringing items for show and te

An important feature of many the major shows in the area is th Junior Bourse table. This table is s up under the direction of Na Bromberg and Steve Davis and sel numismatic items to collectors ag 17 and younger. Wade and Greg a frequent helpers at this tabl helping to sell these items ar assisting other juniors with the questions and problems.

Wade is an active exhibitor coin shows. He won a second pla trophy for his "Obsolete Coins" NASC and a third for "U.S. Ha Dollars" at CSNA. One of the hig lights of the NASC convention can at the banquet for Wade. He s next to Richard Yeoman and w able to meet and talk with th famous numismatist. He receive an autographed copy of the re book which he treasures. Wa wrote an article about this expe ence for school which was subs quetly published in the "Pro Sheet" and *The N.A.S.C. Quarter* He enjoys going to the junior forum at the various shows and h attended the CSNA symposiums t the last two years.

NASC events have also p vided highlights in Greg's num matic life. The Whittier club spo sored his attendance at the two-d workshop in September of 1984.

also received a certificate of merit for placing second in the NASC Junior Achievement Program.

Greg attends as many junior forums as possible and also exhibits frequently at shows. He attended the CSNA symposium this year as their guest and served as president at Whittier coin club's Junior Month last November. His current dream is to win a scholarship to the ANA's Educational Forum this July in Colorado Springs.

With young men such as these in the wings you can see where the future leadership in the field of numismatics is coming from.

Note: Compiled from information submitted by Esther Bromberg.

MYSTERY PERSON FOR 1985

We have photographs from an undisclosed source for this issue's Mystery Person for 1985. He does not know!

JANUARY 7, 1948

WHO IS THIS KID?

Hints:
I was an NASC president.
I own a barber shop.
I received the coveted Numismatic Ambassador Award this year from *Numismatic News.*

Guess my name and I may give you a haircut . . . in Marina Del Rey.

BI-ANNUAL ELECTION – BIOGRAPHIES

The following candidates or nominees have each submitted a sho biography for publication in this issue as required (see page 14 of the Summe 1985 issue). Election ballots will be in the mail after September 5, 1985.

Lynda Kaye Bunn Richard (BOARD)

Lynda resides in Los Angeles, California with her husband Virgil. She hold licenses as a General Securities Agent and as a Life and Disability Insuranc Agent. Working as a Financial Planner and Investment Broker with Financia Network Investment Corporation of Torrance, California, Lynda works a 5½ day week.

In 1979 Lynda started forming Collectors of the Realm in honor c Flourney "Jack" Whitten. Jack belonged to the Downey Numismatists s Lynda joined him there and became an active member. It was at the Downe Numismatists that Lynda found the help she needed in forming Collectors c the Realm.

Lynda's work experience with numismatic organizations include:

President-Collectors of the Realm	1980-1982
Secretary-Collectors of the Realm	1982-Present
NASC Convention Auction Room Helper	1982
NASC Local Publicity	1983
CSNA Co-exhibit Chairperson	1983
Secretary-Downey Numismatists	1984
Editor-Downey Numismatists	1984
Secretary-Los Angeles Coin Club	1984 & 1985

Lynda Richard has also been the ghost editor for Collectors of the Realm Newsletter since its formation.

Numismatic Memberships: Downey Numismatists, Collectors of th Realm, NASC, Los Angeles Coin Club, SIN, CSNA, West Valley Coin Club, an Whittier Coin Club.

Numismatic organizations has become a very active part of Lynda's life And she always finds some time to participate.

Gary Beedon (BOARD)

Gary Beedon, a native of California, is the Editor of *The N.A.S.C. Quarter* and has served in that capacity since early 1982. Prior to 1982 he was th Assistant Editor. He presently is an engineer at McDonnell Douglas at Lon Beach (17 years).

After joining NASC in 1975 as a Club Representative in 1975, he helpe out on several committees and was the Signs Chairman in 1980 and in 198 Last year Gary was the Assistant Bourse Chairman. He has been a Boar member since 1982. This year, in addition to being Editor and Board membe Gary has accepted the job of Photographer for the NASC.

He is a member of CSNA, Fountain Valley Coin Club, NLG, and the AN

Dr. Walter Ostromecki, Jr. (BOARD)

EDUCATION:

Los Angeles Public School System

M.S. Research Certificate – Missouri Botanical Garden in conjunction with the University of Nebraska – 1973

Certificate – International Ferienkurse Fur Deutsche Sprache Und Germanistik in Salzburg, Austria – 1969

Ph.D. – Botany (Plant Taxonomy), UCLA – 1978

CURRENT POSITION(S):

Professional Botanist and Instructor in College and University extension programs.

Electrical Training Instructor/QWL – G.M.A.D., Van Nuys Plant

NUMISMATIC HIGHLIGHTS:

A.N.A. Member since 1975

A.N.A. National Coin Week Committee Member – 1978-1983.

Coin Week Canada Committee – 1978-1980.

Chairman 1st Coin Week North America Committee – 1982

C.S.N.A. Member since 19850

C.S.N.A. Co-Publicity Chairman – 1982-1985

N.A.S.C. Member since 1980

Chairman N.A.S.C. Speaker's Bureau since 1984

Elected N.A.S.C. Board Member – 1984

Vice President S.P.A.N. since 1979

S.P.A.N. Man of the Year Award – 1978

President West Valley Coin Club – 1983

Editor West Valley Bulletin since 1984

Ruth Johnson Literary Award Winner – 1982

President Bay Cities Coin Club – 1985

Vice President Culver City Coin Club – 1985

O.C.P.N.C. Club President – 1976-1977

Member Numismatic Literary Guild since 1978

N.L.G.'s Best Magazine Article Award – 1981

N.A.S.C. Literary Award Winner – 1983-1984

N.A.S.C. Banquet Master of Ceremonies – 1984

C.S.N.A. Literary Award Winner – Bronze – 1981

A.N.A. Numismatic Convention Little Theatre Medal – 1984

A.N.A. Medal of Merit for Exhibit – Hawaii – 1981

Elected to C.E.S. Board – 1985

Publicity Director for Society of Cancelled $2 Notes since 1984

Life Member UNCAP International and Director of CRL – 1975-1978

Free Lance Writer – Contributer to *Coin World, Numismatic News, Coinage, Hobbies, Collectibles Illustrated, Scotts Monthly, the N.A.S.C. Quarterly, C.S.N.A. News, Numismatist and LA Times.*

Member of L.A. Coin Club, San Bernardino County Coin Club, Orange County PNC Club, S.I.N., West Valley Coin Club, Bay Cities Coin Club and Culver City Coin Club.

Harold Katzman (RECORDING SECRETARY)

Harold Katzman presently serves as the Recording Secretary and as th Educational Workshop Co-chairman. Harold has been the NAS Photographer in the past.

He is a member of the Downey Numismatists, Redlands Coin Clu California Wooden Money Association, Covina Coin Club and the Sa Bernardino County Coin Club.

Thomas M. Barosko (BOARD)

Thomas Barosko currently serves as the NASC Representative for th Lawndale Coin Club. He is a past president of the Lawndale Coin Club, and presently the secretary of the Fountain Valley Coin Club. Tom has held othe positions with both of these clubs. He was the Security Chairman for the NAS 30th convention last January. His numismatic interest is U.S. coins and Fu Step Jefferson Nickels. He is also a member of PAK, the Full Step Nickel Clu and has given talks on the Jefferson Nickel.

Kay Northam (BOARD)

Kay Northam is the 1st V.P. for the West Valley Coin Club, V.P. for Ba Cities Coin Club and Treasurer of Culver City Coin Club (4 years). Other club include INSLA and the Downey Numismatists (Board member). She ha served as Registration Chairman for SIN for one year.

Kay has served as NASC Registration Chairman in 1981, 1982, 1983 an in 1984, in addition to helping out on other committees. She joine NASC in 1979 and has been a member of the Board for 3 years.

Austin Ryer, Jr. (TREASURER)

Austin Ryer, Jr. is currently the NASC Treasurer and Security Chairman. H has served on many committees and as Chairman of Local Publicity, Edito Bourse, etc. He joined NASC in 1977.

Mr. Ryer was an Engineer at McDonnell Douglas in Long Beach for 29 years, retiring last September. He has been a coin collector for most of his li and a part time dealer since 1952. He still "sets up" at local shows. He ar Nona Moore inventoried and appraised the extensive NASC Museum at r cost to the club. Mr. Ryer belongs to many national, regional, and local club and he received the 25-year membership medal from the ANA in 1981.

Richard F. Lebold (CORRESPONDING SECRETARY)

Richard Lebold is currently in his first year as the Corresponding Secretar He was elected to the Board in 1975, when he also was exhibit chairman. 1976 he was Vice President, then President-Elect in 1977 and served as th 24th President in 1978. Upon the death of the treasurer in 1979, he w appointed to serve out that term and continued in that position until 198 Over the years Lebold has been involved with many committees, such Grievance, Policy and Procedure, Nominating, Awards, and Hotel Relocatio

Lorna R. Lebold (PRESIDENT)

Lorna Lebold assumed the duties of the NASC presidency upon the death of Phyllis Ellis in March. Prior to her abbreviated term as Vice President, she served as Corresponding Secretary for four years. She has been a part of several committees such as Convention Program, Awards, Policy and Procedure, Gold Drawing, Exhibits, and Ribbons and Badges. She also is Advertising Manager for the *QUARTERLY*.

George Moore (BOARD)

George E. Moore III has been involved with numismatics since the age of 10. He is a member of the Fontana United Numismatists, San Bernardino County Coin Club, SIN, TAMS, CSNA and ANA. He is a Sustaining Member of the NASC and has served on the board for several years. He is currently the property chairman. His firm, Galaxie Designs, has produced the awards for such organizations as NASC, CSNA, SIN and ANA.

Albertus Hoogeveen (BOARD)

I am currently a member of the Board of Governors. I served as President of the NASC for 1984-85, President-Elect 1983-84, Vice President 1982-83, Recording Secretary 1977-82 and have been a Club Representative. I am currently the President of the Downey Numismatists, of which I am a charter member. I have also served as an officer in many other clubs. I am on the NASC Speakers Bureau list, speaking on five separate numismatic subjects. I have been a member of NASC for 25 years. I have also been a member of the ANA for 25 years.

I was born, raised and educated in Illinois. I have a Bachelor of Science Degree in Electrical Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology. I am currently working for the System Development Corporation as a Systems Analyst.

I have been collecting coins for 40 years. I currently specialize in U.S., Canadian, Mexican and Netherlands type coins. I also collect Scouts on stamps, Boy Scout memorabilia and have written three books on the subject.

Leonora Donald (HISTORIAN)

I became involved in numismatics through my mother, Grace Brainard (a true collector) and my stepfather, Karl Brainard. The Los Angeles Coin Club was the first club I joined back in 1947 or 1984. I am still a member of that club and hold Charter Member #22 in NASC and Sustaining Member #5. I became a joiner, and at one time was a member of 11 clubs. My first position was serving coffee. When it was discovered I could type, I graduated to secretary and editor for several clubs. I was elected president of Southern California Ancient Numismatic Society (SCANS) for two years, 1978 and 1979, and have been serving NASC as historian since first elected in 1977, taking over from Thelma Case, Historian Emeritus. Presently, I am secretary of one club, and back to serving coffee at others. I have cut down to being member of four clubs, four regional organizations and the A.N.A.

I am not a collector per se, but do exhibit (mostly one coin or medal), winning Best-in-Show at the NASC 1984 convention.

I have enjoyed the relationship with the many friends I have made durin my numismatic endeavors and enjoy a feeling of accomplishment an satisfaction when I participate in organizational functions.

SEPTEMBER 29, 1985

Seriously, no fooling, it's really going to happen!

Are YOU ready for this? Is NASC ready for this?

It's hard to believe but it's true!

WHAT IS IT YOU ASK?

Why it's the GREAT NAS AUCTION!

Plan to attend on September 2 1985 (after the NASC Boar meeting) at the Hyatt at LAX.

BOURSE TABLES SELLING FAST

According to our Bourse Chairman, G. "Corky" Ayers, we still have a few good tables left to sell.

For an application for a table at our Annual Convention January 23-25, 1986, write to:

Bourse Chairman
G. Ayers
Box 935
Pomona, California 91769

Coin Grading Workshop

November 23-24, 1985 is a date you will not want to miss since it is that of the NASC Coin Grading Workshop at Cal Poly, Pomona. The American Numismatic Association Certification Service (ANACS as it is called) will conduct the 2-day class. Nominal costs are as follows:

Non-members – $50
Members – $40
Juniors – $20

Breakfast and lunch is include both days. For additional inform tion, contact our Coin Gradi Workshop Chairman, Harc Katzman, at 1504 Rosewood Cou Ontario, California 91762. Cla size is limited.

NUMISMATIC CALENDAR

NASC BOARD MEETINGS

September 29, 1985*
December 29, 1985

Hyatt at Los Angeles Airport
6225 W. Century Blvd.
Los Angeles, California
1:00 p.m.

* Auction following NASC Board Meeting.

NUMISMATIC EVENTS

September 19-22, 1985

24th Annual Coin Show & Convention
Northern California Numismatic Association
Cathedral Hill Hotel
Geary and Van Ness
San Francisco, California

October 12-13, 1985

17th Annual Coin Show (NCOC)
Numismatic Council of Orange County
Brookhurst Community Center
2271 W. Crescent Ave.
Anaheim, California

October 27, 1985

27th Annual Coin-A-Rama (WVCC)
Reseda Women's Club
7901 Lindley Ave.
Reseda, California

November 15-17, 1985

77th Convention & Coin Show (CSNA)
California State Numismatic Association
Holiday Inn – Embarcadero
San Diego, California

November 23-24, 1985

Coin Grading Workshop (NASC)
Cal Poly (College)
Pomona, California
(ANACS INSTRUCTOR)

January 23-25, 1986

31st Annual Convention (NASC)
Hyatt at Los Angeles Airport

NOTICE TO NASC CLUB REPRESENTATIVES:
A revised NASC Speakers Bureau listing will be available at the September board meeting.

CLUB REPORT

Dr. Thomas F. Fitzgerald

HAVE YOU HEARD?

COVINA COIN CLUB – As many of you know, this year marks the 75t anniversary of the Boy Scouts. The Covina Coin Club held a very speci program at their May meeting. The Boy Scout troop #718 with Covina Co Club president John Glover as scout master presented the colors to sta the meeting. The merit badge was presented to scouts Frank Rathma David McClary and Andrew Glover by Covina mayor, Charles Colver. Th program was presented by past NASC President, Al Hoogeveen, wh reported on "Boy Scout Tokens and Medals".

CALIF. ASSOC. OF TOKEN COLLECTORS – The May bulletin of this organ zation informed members about a number of books concerning token Here is a listing of some of those publications:

Campbell's Tokens of Utah
2105 E. 3300 South-A
Salt Lake City, UT 84109
($9.95 plus $2.00 postage)

Canadian Trade Dollars
Micto-Art
12 Lyon Heights Rd.
Scarborough, Ontario M1P 3V3
Canada
($3.00 plus postage)

Mardi Gras Guide (Doubloons)
Arthur Hardy
P.O. Box 8085
New Orleans, LA 70182
($1.95 plus $1.00 postage)

Railroad Currency
Dr. John Muscalus
Historical Paper Money Institu
P.O. Box 187
Bridgeport, PA 19405
($5.00 plus postage)

PRESIDENT JEAN ELLIS – The president of the Whittier Coin Club, describe in the Bulletin as "Lady Luck Wins Again," won a round trip for two to Ne Orleans at a recent banquet she was attending. I'll bet Ed (husband) ar Jean did some promenading up and down Bourbon Street in the Fren Quarter.

PAUL BORACK – During the Awards Breakfast at the C.O.I.N. a surpris NASC past president Paul Borack was awarded the Numismatic Ambassad Award, a recognition from Krause Publications of those who serve t hobby far and beyond the normal amount. A former winner of the NASC Goodson Award, Paul certainly deserves these honors. Congratulatio Paul!

COMMUNITY DAY – The Covina Coin Club manned a booth at the 4th Annual Community Day at the Eastland Mall. Covina member Don Collins was in charge. This event, sponsored by the city, is organized to promote and inform citizens of the programs and services available in this San Gabriel Valley community.

SIN/SAN – As has become a tradition, the Society of International Numismatics and the Society for Ancient Numismatics held a combined meeting during the C.O.I.N. The speaker was Professor Henry Minc who spoke on the "Ancient Judean Coinage".

CALIFORNIA EXONUMIST SOCIETY – The C.E.S., as most of us know it, presented past N.A.S.C. president Albert Hall talking about those "Magnificent Six Medals" at the recent C.O.I.N.

AMERICAN BRITISH NUMISMATIC SOCIETY – Past NASC President J.H. Mack McInnis was the speaker at the meeting of this club. His subject was "Early Scottish Coinage" and accompanied his presentation with appropriate slides.

GLENDALE COIN CLUB – A recent publication of their bulletin, Glen-Coin, informed members that tokens good for one 25¢ fare are being distributed by local merchants or they can be purchased. These are for Glendale's Beeline Shuttle. The writer tells us they are red aluminum with the central design of a "BEE" and the words "BUZZ OFF".

IN HONOR OF

SYD & MURRAY SINGER – This former NASC President and his lovely wife celebrated their Golden Wedding Anniversary on May 21, 1985. She must have been a child bride.

CORKY & AWANDA AYERS – This grand couple celebrated their 48th anniversary on August 2, 1985. "I think Awanda must be a saint," her husband says.

GREG FRAZIER – This Junior Member of the Whittier Coin Club was the delighted winner of a scholarship to the ANA Summer Educational Seminar in Colorado Springs, July 7-14. The award included air transport as well as room, board and tuition. Greg is the fourth Whittier Coin Club member to win such a scholarship.

AWANDA AYERS – The editor and vivacious member of the Covina Coin Club was the surprised winner of the prestigious "Red Comb" Award at their annual banquet. The "Order of the Red Comb" is a club within a club. Each year the present members hold a meeting and select the new member from those who've made a strange (goof) contribution to the Covina Club during the past year. Awanda now joins Corky as a member of this exclusive club.

The following short article by Dillon Frost is the 1984 Ruth Johnson Litera Award winner from the July 1984 issue of the West Valley Coin Club "WVC Coin" newsletter.

Mr. Frost has been a member of the West Valley Coin Club since 1979. reliable source mentions the comment by Dillon who says, "Writing is easy you just sit down a few moments and write about your interests."

CARSON City TRADE Dollar

by Dillon Frost

The Carson City Mint was established in the area of the great silv producing mines of Nevada. It was a natural merger of mints and mine Carson City and silver were synonymous to the Westerner. The tons of silv produced at these mines were processed at the Carson City mint into t various silver coins of the United States.

Among the coins struck at this new western mint was the controversial a unique Trade Dollar. Thus was formed a combination that produced a rath scarce coin; a CC mint marked Trade Dollar. This coin was minted for six yea (1873-1878). Most of these Carson City Trades were shipped directly to Chi for trade purposes, leaving about 5% in domestic channels. Today, most those coins left in domestic channels are in VF to AU condition. Tr uncirculated Trades are very difficult to obtain. Today, 90% of all t 36,000,000 Trades minted no longer exist. A July 28, 1883 Philadelph newspaper advertisement put the number of Trade Dollars in the Unit States, at that time, at 6,000,000. Of course, since that time, millions have be melted.

Below is a survey of Carson City Trades today:

1873 CC – Less than 600 survive today.
Six Mint State coins were advertised in the last 10 years, a some of these were graded AU by reputable dealers. Al are very hard to find.

1874 CC – Numismatic experts feel approximately 1,000 survive tod Five Mint State offered since 1977.
AU's becoming difficult to obtain.

1875 CC – The most common of all CC Trade Dollars.
Mint State coins are sporadically offered but are becomi increasingly difficult to find.

1876 CC – Very few Mint State coins offered in the last ten years. better grades are very difficult to find.

1877 CC – Since 1977, two Mint State Trade Dollars of this year we placed on the market. All better grades difficult to obta

1878 CC – Although 97,000 were minted, 44,000 were melted on J 19, 1878. Over the last ten years, six Mint State and fifte AU's have been offered on the market.

Watch the advertisements and the catalogs and determine for yourself t scarcity of these coins.

LOW WHOLESALE PRICES

POPULAR MODERN COMMEMORATIVE
COINS & MEDALS.
THE MORE YOU BUY, THE MORE YOU SAVE.

	PER 1	PER 3	PER 10
AUSTRALIA — Y-53, 1982 50¢ Commonwealth Games Unc	$1.00	—	$7.50
Y-55, $200 GOLD Games Unc., in folder	195 00	—	—
BRITISH TRADE DOLLARS — Asstd. dates VF-XF, Silver	11.00	30 00	95 00
COOK ISLANDS — Y-7, 1972 C/N Unc. Crown, 1st year	3 00	—	25 00
Y-1-7, Proof set, in case	11 00	30 00	—
Y-9-10, Cook Ship Silver Proofs	33 00	90 00	275 00
1976 or 1977 Proof set, includes Silver Bird Cased	30 00	85 00	—

EDWARD VIII — He abdicated and no crown size coins were issued, BUT there are BEAUTIFUL CROWN SIZED medals from 12 of the Former Colonies. AUSTRALIA - Kangaroo, BERMUDA - ship, BR. EAST AFRICA - Lion, CANADA - Beaver, CEYLON - Elephant, FALKLAND ISLANDS - Penguin, ENGLAND - St. Geo. & Dragon, HONG KONG - Ship, INDIA - Tiger, NEW ZEALAND - Kiwi Bird, SO. AFRICA - Springbok & Strait SETTLEMENTS - Britannia. Your choice of 2 metals GOLDEN BRONZE or nickel-Silver. These are beautiful PROOFS in plastic holders Your choice $5 00 each Sets of 12 for $50.00.

STERLING SILVER are available from AUSTRALIA, BERMUDA, CEYLON, ENGLAND & NEW ZEALAND. Sold for as high as $125.00 each. $37.50 Each. Set of 5 - $165.00 (these are Unc.)

ENGLAND —			—
Y-136, 1960 British Exhibition in N Y. Unc.	6 00	15.00	—
Y-92, 1937 George VI Silver Crown	19 50	55.00	165 00
Y-76, 1935 GEO V Silver Crown Unc.	19.50	55.00	150.00
ETHIOPIA — Y-47, 1982 World Football Crown Unc. CAT $2.50	1 95	5.50	15.00
HUNGARY — Y-145-146, World Football Silver Prfs. (2)	45 00	120.00	375.00
Y-148, World Football Crown Unc. CAT. $7.50	1 95	5 50	15.00
IRAQ — Y-49, 1977 Canal Silver Prf In case	35.00	100.00	—
ITALY — Y-120, 1981 Virgil's Death, Silver Commem. Unc.	14 50	40.00	—
JAMAICA — Y-55, 1979 I.Y C. Silver Prf in case	20.00	54.00	170.00
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